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## Column One By David Courtney

There is something about Mr. Truman: something of the hero of the comic strip and something of that Everyman who has been the object of the merriment ever since the Middle Ages. Mr. Truman has just wound up his "whistle stop" tour of the States of the Union with a challenging speech in Chicago. With his heart still light from the enthusiasm of the crowds, Mr. Truman damned the isolationists, made hay of the anti-free-traders, praised Mr. Acheson in defiance of the Republican whiffers; and, of course, damned Communism like any Republican.

There are 261 Democrats in the House to 170 Republicans; and 54 in the Senate to 43 Republicans. But more than one-third of the Democratic Senators and nearly a third of the Democratic Representatives are Southern, who dislike the President and would confound his social policies if they could. It has been reckoned that the President will want another 50 seats in the new House to be elected in November, and another 40 to eight seats in the Senate elections for about one-third new members, if he is to get through his fair deal legislation, feel ease in his expansive foreign policy, and have reasonable assurance of Presidential nomination and victory in 1952.

It is a world event when Mr. Truman boards the Presidential train, and 6,500 miles of track are cleared for him as the magic word "Truman" for President of the United States — is flashed from signal box to signal box. The last time he did anything of the sort, he came back to win comfortably a Presidential election which the wisecracks had already humiliated to Mr. Dewey. The wisecracks are at it again. Most of the Primary Elections have gone against Mr. Truman. Senator Taft still the acknowledged and working leader of the G.O.P., has made no bones about his belief in a November victory for the Republicans.

With President of the United States is an extraordinarily powerful man. One wishes, now and then, that he were not. The rest of the world must take note of him; and in this case will be more comfortable about it if he gets the majority he wants in the Congressional elections. It might even result in some revival of Truman's belief in peace as a direct and notable policy. In present circumstances, he dare not forgive Russia for being a great power on pretty much the same level of strength and potentiality as the United States. With a safe majority instead of one dependent on the temporary Southern element, that strength which, in Mr. Acheson's opinion, must be the basis of peace, may be judged not only by the calculations of Chiefs of Staff, but also by the calculations of the President in the light of his Party in Congress. Mr. Truman, in his "whistle stop" tour, has been the object of the merriment of his very own audiences with his simple and spontaneous humanity. There is a vast wider audience of very human people, who look to the President of the United States, not for dollars only, or for armaments to fight a hateful and suicidal war, but also for guidance in the ways of peace.

Tel Aviv, May 12

## British Plane Forced Down

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — A Royal Air Force flying boat which had crossed Israel territory, was forced down and detained here for six hours. The plane, which was on its way from Bahrain to the Bitter Lakes in Egypt, was released on intervention of the British Air Attache, Wing Commander A. J. O'Neill, and took off for the south at dusk.

During his interrogation by the Port waters, the Air Force officer, Captain J. A. Yates, apologized for the incident, which he claimed to be due to a navigational error. Sighted over the Sea of Galilee in the early afternoon, the four-engine flying boat, a Sunderland, number DP-195, was chased by two Israeli Air Force fighters. The pursuit planes flew alongside the British aircraft and one of them lowered its undercarriage as a signal to the Sunderland to land.

When the plane disregarded the signal — the British airman later said that they had not understood the signal — one of the Israeli fighters fired a burst across the Sunderland's course. The huge flying boat, with its crew of eight, then slid down into the water off Tel Aviv Port and two light naval vessels raced out to meet it.

While the two fighters circled over the spot, three members of the crew — two Flight Lieutenants and a Flight Officer — were taken ashore for interrogation. Simultaneously, an Israeli Air Force officer and an escort of Air Force police went aboard the Sunderland, which was moored to a buoy about three kilometres off-shore and in full view of hundreds of people who crowded the promenade and beach. The Sunderland was unarmed.

The British Legation was informed of the incident and the Air Attache, who was out of town, returned for the interrogation which was carried out in the presence of senior Air Force officers. Flight Lieutenant Yates said that his plane had reached Israel territory as the result of a navigational error. Concern-

## Cabinet Discusses Reply on Bernadotte

The Government's answer to the Swedish Government's recent letter and the Attorney-General's report on the murder of Count Folke Bernadotte in September, 1948, was discussed by the Cabinet which met in Jerusalem yesterday.

The Cabinet also heard the report of the Ministerial Committee on the question of teachers' wages and authorized the Committee to negotiate an agreement with the Teachers' Association.

Questions arising out of the labour pickets at Rosh Ha'ayin were also discussed. (See Page 2, Col. 2)

## Gov't Asks Repeal Of Emergency Clause

A bill nullifying the Emergency Regulations permitting the Government to requisition buildings in Jerusalem passed its first reading in the Knesset yesterday. It was introduced by the Minister of Justice, Mr. P. Rosen.

The Regulation, which had been enacted to facilitate the transfer of Government Departments to Jerusalem, would have expired in any case on May 23 as Emergency Regulations are valid only for three months unless extended by the Knesset. But the Minister of Justice explained, there were some doubts about the continued validity of requisitions under the Emergency Regulation after its expiration, and the law will also ensure that regulations remain in force.

## All Bathing At Tel Aviv Banned

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — All bathing on the Tel Aviv-Jaffa beach has been prohibited this season, it was announced here tonight. This decision was taken at a meeting held at the Ministry of Health in Jerusalem today.

Bathing by people of all ages has been stopped not because of the present pollution of the water, it was stated. Bacteriological tests will be carried out daily. The nearest approved bathing beaches to Tel Aviv are at Bat Yam and Herzlia, the announcement said.

Adults will be permitted to bathe in public swimming pools which are under the permanent supervision of the Health Ministry. Children under six will not be permitted to use these pools.

Dr. Yehoshua Bader (Herut), Dr. Peretz Bernstein (General Zionists) and Mr. Eliahu Mazur (Orthodox) all advocated the reduction of income taxes. Their argument was that the few hundred thousand shekels the reduction in rates would cost the Treasury (according to their estimates) would be more than compensated. The reductions would give incentive to businessmen and the result would be that the taxable income would be much greater.

One of the chief architects of Mapai's economic policy, Dr. Peretz Bernstein, who is one of the Prime Minister's Economic Coordinators, upheld the high taxation. He said the rates should not be compared with those of other countries today, but of Britain's war-time rates. Dr.

## Hapoel Hamizrachi-Histadrut Pact

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — The Hapoel Hamizrachi (Zionist Workers) Movement will enter the Trade Union Department of the Histadrut, according to an agreement reached here today. The signing of the agreement was postponed until the signing of the Hapoel Hamizrachi teachers' contract. Mr. Aharon Zacher, head of the Trade Union Department, promised that the Histadrut would adhere to both "the letter and the spirit" of the agreement.

## P.M. to Meet With Doctors

It was decided at yesterday's Cabinet meeting that the Prime Minister, Mr. David Ben-Gurion, should receive representatives of the Medical Association to consider the complaints which have been made to the Government regarding the medical profession and the Government's action to deal with the situation.

A meeting is to be held this morning between the Prime Minister and the representatives of the Medical Association. The meeting will be held in the presence of the Prime Minister's staff.

Dr. Gil said that the Israel Medical Association had for 30 years protected the professional interests of the medical profession and had negotiated collective agreements. The Government, he said, had refused to negotiate with it and had recognized only the Government Employees' Union controlled by the Histadrut. The Government's action, he said, disputed the rights of citizens to organize according to their conscience.

## Only One Representative

Mr. Kaplan replied that the Government doctors were organized both in the Employees' Union and the Medical Association. They could not use both, he said. When the authorities had recognized the Union as the sole representative of Government employees, no one had challenged it.

He said the grading of officials has been in progress for a year and a half and representatives of the employees in each department as well as the Employees' Union were being consulted.

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## Lie Stresses Positive Side Of Moscow Talks

MOSCOW, Wednesday. — U.N. Secretary General Trygve Lie today said the press here that he "had been received in the friendliest way and exchanges of views and ideas had been of a positive kind."

Referring to his conference with top Soviet leaders, Mr. Lie said: "Our conversations have concentrated on the general international situation, Chinese representation in the U.N., and the so-called cold war."

Among other matters discussed, I can also mention periodic meetings of the Security Council in conformity with Article 28, Point 2, of the Charter and the control of atomic energy."

Mr. Lie will fly to London via France and Paris on Friday. From London he will go on to New York. He explained that he hopes to see French Premier Georges Bidault and British Prime Minister Clement Attlee or their Foreign Ministers.

When he returns to the U.S., he plans to confer with President Truman and Secretary of State Dean Acheson.

## French Charged With Holding Russians

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuters). — The Soviet Union has accused France of preventing the repatriation of Soviet citizens from France and from the French zones in Germany and Austria, according to a Moscow radio broadcast.

## Russia Says Prisoners All Repatriated

MOSCOW, Wednesday (UP). — The "New Times" today charged that Anglo-American authorities are deliberately and maliciously spreading anti-Soviet slanders in challenging the Soviet statement on repatriation of all German war prisoners.

The publication said that as far back as 1946 the U.S. occupation authorities in Germany had obtained a complete list of all German war dead but refused to publish the list because "publication would end all speculation."

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## Egypt to Produce British Jet Planes

NEW YORK, Wednesday (PTA). — Plans for the manufacture of jet fighters in Egypt were revealed here yesterday by the British De Havilland Aircraft Company. In an advertisement in "The New York Times," the aircraft company announced that Egypt was one of six nations outside of Britain with which negotiations had been completed for local manufacture of the jet planes. The advertisement also listed Egypt as one of the 12 countries which had purchased jets during the past year.

## STOP PRESS

Jerusalem Post Correspondent LAKE SUCCESS, Wednesday. — Israel will announce a new plan for Jerusalem within the next ten days, Mr. Aubrey Eban said here today.

Israel circles said that the plan, which will be included in Israel's reply to M. Garreaud, is exemplary in its simplicity, and it is hoped it will satisfy all parties.

## Eban Warns Of Arab Rearming

LAKE SUCCESS, Wednesday (PTA). — Mr. Aubrey Eban, addressing the U.N. Correspondents' Association today, said: "Certain Arab states not only refuse to make peace indignantly on any of their neighbours who may show a tendency to reach a peace settlement with Israel."

"Arab states," which he recently sought to destroy Israel, are rearming lavishly with weapons denied to Israel," he said. "The military balance in the Middle East threatens to become distorted in favour of the very elements which oppose peace and reconciliation. It is no answer that these states have no intention of requesting their own disarmament. Opportunities will breed intentions."

## Senators Protest U.K. Arm Shipments

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (Reuters). — Senator Herbert O'Connor yesterday called for immediate Anglo-American action to control arm shipments to the Middle East, which, he said, threatened Israel.

The Senator said he had suggested to Secretary of State Dean Acheson that the U.N. should be invited to study the whole question of arms shipments to the Middle East.

## Elihu Elath Bids Truman Farewell

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (PTA). — President Truman today bade farewell to Israel Ambassador Elihu Elath at the White House and presented the Ambassador with a photograph inscribed, "With kindest regards and best wishes."

## Council Sets Up Executive Body

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuters). — The Foreign Ministers of the North Atlantic Pact Council today decided to set up a permanent executive co-ordinating committee to control and integrate decisions in the military, economic and financial spheres. It was reported in diplomatic quarters in London tonight.

From delegation sources it appeared certain that all 12 would agree before tomorrow night — when the conference ends — on the appointment of this all-important executive group.

With a civilian at its head, the high command would co-ordinate policy in all fields between the meetings of the ministerial council.

## Conference Agrees On Compromise for Asia

SYDNEY, Wednesday (UP). — Britain and Australia broke a deadlock today and agreed on a compromise plan to fight Communism in Asia with immediate technical aid.

## U.K. Can't Fight Both In Europe and Asia

The compromise is said to have resulted after it became clear that Australia faced widespread opposition, not only from Britain, which complained that it had already spent more than it could reasonably afford on Asiatic countries and had heavy financial commitments elsewhere, but also from other delegations at the Commonwealth Conference here.

A high-ranking conference source said that, as a result, some form of covenant or agreement providing modest immediate aid to Southeast and South Asia would be signed "within a very few months."

The source said that the covenant would provide for considerably less immediate aid than the \$22m. outlay proposed yesterday by Australian Foreign Minister Percy Spender. But, he added, both in Asia and the U.S., it would serve as proof of the Commonwealth's determination to help the underdeveloped areas of South and Southeast Asia by immediately raising their living standards and thus helping them resist Communism.

## Australia Supports M.E. Peace Efforts

CANBERRA, Wednesday (PTA). — The Australian Government would welcome a final settlement between Israel and the Arab countries and "will support all efforts to that end," declared External Affairs Minister, Percy Spender. He was replying to the question whether Australia would support efforts for a final settlement, especially with the view to bringing about the resumption of direct shipping connections between Israel and Australia, presently suspended because of Egypt's refusal to guarantee safe conduct through the Suez Canal.

## Jordan Alleges Border Gunning

AMMAN, Wednesday (Reuters). — Defence Minister Fawzi Mulki Pasha, answering questions in the Jordan Parliament, said last night that two Israeli war planes machine-gunned the Arab borderland on May 2, killing a mother and child, and wounding three women.

Following the incident, frontier patrols were increased by an additional battalion, and orders were given to return fire, he added.

## Weizmann May Go Abroad

President Chaim Weizmann is expected to go abroad shortly for his health. When the President left went abroad, the Knesset Speaker, Mr. Yosef Sprinzak, was elected Acting President by the House. The appointment was then made for that occasion only.

But Mr. Sprinzak is himself going abroad today and other arrangements will have to be made.

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#### HA'KIRYA NOTES

Mr. Tuvia Arad, Counselor for Press and in charge of Consular Affairs at Istanbul, arrived in Tel Aviv yesterday to consult with the Government on trade possibilities between the two countries.

Mr. Ephraim Elion (Gravitzky) has been appointed Vice-Consul and Immigration Officer in Marseilles.

#### Social & Personal

The Knesset Speaker, Mr. Yosef Sprinzak, is leaving today for the Argentine to open the United Jewish Appeal campaign there.

Mr. Behor Shitreet, Minister of Police, and Mr. Levi Avrahami, Superintendent of Jerusalem Police, toured villages in the Judean Hills region on Tuesday.

A reception for Jascha Heifetz, the violinist, was held last night on the stage of the Ohel Shalom Hall at the end of the concert at which the violinist played the Brahms Violin Concerto under the baton of Leonard Bernstein.

Mr. Fred Monosson, National Treasurer of the Zionist Organization of America, and Chairman of the Z.O.A. House which is being built in Tel Aviv, returned to the U.S. on Monday.

Mr. Lester Markel, editor of the Sunday supplement of "The New York Times," and Mrs. Markel arrived on Tuesday on a brief visit to Israel.

Prof. Herbert S. Goldstein, of Yeshiva University and member of the U.S. National Commission to UNESCO, has arrived in Jerusalem in connection with the Harry Fishel Institute for Research in the Talmud, of which he is the Board Chairman.

Mr. Y. Regav, of the Government Press Office, addressed the Israel Journalists' Association yesterday on impressions of his recent trip to the U.S.

Mr. I. Chizik, Chairman of the Negeri Authority, will speak on "The Negro" at the luncheon of the Jaffa-Tel Aviv Rotary Club.

Prof. M. Ginsberg will speak on "Freud's Sociological Theories" before the Society for Mental Hygiene, Jerusalem Branch, tonight at 8.15, at Beit Mahalutz.

Mr. M. Ardon (Bronstein), Director of the New Bezalel School in Jerusalem, will speak at the Tel Aviv Museum on "Problems of Modern Art" at 8.30 this evening.

The annual Zvi Ben Yosef prize, awarded in memory of the composer who fell in defense of the Etzion Bloc, will be presented in the Y.M.C.A. Jerusalem at 8.20 this evening for the best orchestration of one of his poems.

A lecture on "The Peoples' World Convention Geneva, December, 1950," will be given by Mr. John Popper, Member of the International Liaison Council of the "Peoples' World Convention," under the auspices of the Federalist Association of Israel at the "Moodon," 47 Rothschild Boulevard, Tel Aviv, on Thursday evening, May 25, 1950, at 8.30.

**MARRIAGE**  
GORMITZKY-FAIDRICH  
The marriage took place in Zurich on May 17, 1950, between Rutha, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Salomon Friedlich, of Zurich, and Eric Gormitzky, of Tel Aviv.

**BUDGET CORRECTION**  
In the article "Budget Speech Gave Hard Facts" published on Tuesday, the figure of 11.63m. was given as the Government's proposed investment in industry. In fact, this sum is of course the total Development Budget.

**The Hebrew National OPERA**  
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## from DAN to BEERSHEBA

### The Weather

Mt. Zion	25	14	25	25
Haifa Airport	21	17	20	20
Be'er Sheva	24	14	23	23
Lod Airport	24	14	23	23
Cairo	27	17	25	25
Bombay	30	20	28	28

Forecast: the khamin will break in the coastal area, during the morning, but will not completely clear away. The afternoon, however, cloudy, with possible rain, mainly in the north. Winds will be strong at first from the east, veering gradually to north-east. Temperatures will be high.

**250** immigrants left Hungary today for Israel. Another group of 500 will leave Budapest on June 20. **630** immigrants left Poland for Israel on Tuesday.

Electricity consumption during January and February amounted to 63,500 kilowatt hours of which 17,511 were for industrial purposes. Figures for the same months in 1949 were 43,194 and 11,384 k.w.h. respectively.

Twenty-five scientists and scholars joined the regular fortnightly convoy to Mount Scopus, Jerusalem, yesterday.

The **John F. Kennedy** and an exhibition of his objects, acquired in Paris last year, was opened last week in the Basal National Museum in Jerusalem in the presence of Mr. A. Ben-Zion, Director of the Jewish Agency Executive. He said that more art treasures would arrive from the east, and that the most pressing problem of the moment was the provision of a museum building suitable for the growing Basal collection.

Ferries passing through Israel on their way to other countries and returning, staying longer than on day should be in possession of transit visas, the Ministry of Immigration announced yesterday. Such visas would permit visitors to remain here up to 72 hours.

### Emergency Pharmacies

**JERUSALEM:** Zichron Moshe, near Edison Cinema, 433, Grant, near Kayman, 220.  
**TEL AVIV:** "Dor" Co., 433-2245, Mayor David, 30 Allenby, Balfour, 54 King George, 2202, Dr. Michael, 112 Allenby, 2202, Merkha Hatzafon, 200 Ben Yehuda, 2202.  
**JAFFA:** 5 Eshel Three, 2022.  
**RAMAT GAN:** Harel.  
**HAIFA:** 12 Gordon, 4724, Natan, 31 Joseph Street, 2202.

### Gruenberg to Be Buried Today

**TEL AVIV, Wednesday.**—The remains of Oscar Gruenberg and his wife will be laid to rest in the Old Cemetery here at midday tomorrow. The coffin which arrived in Haifa on Monday will be carried to Rehov Hahashmonaim, Rothschild Boulevard, Bezalet, Jaffa, Montefiore, Rutenberg, and Allenby and Blaluk to the Municipality, where a short memorial service will be held.

From the Municipality the cortege will pass to the Old Cemetery through Rehov Idelson, Pinsker and Trumpeldor.

### Food News

**TEL AVIV AND DISTRICT:** From market, 150 grams, Tel 5 and 6, visitors Tel 10, Tel 10, Apricot: area 1 and district: 150 grams, coupon 224, visitors 21, tourists 11, Valencia oranges, kilo, Shin 10, visitors 19, tourists 2, until May 21, Potatoes: area 1, 250 grams, Shin 10, visitors 19, tourists 2, Local potatoes: 3 kilo, Shin 10, visitors 19, tourists 2, Cucumbers: area 1 and 2, 150 grams, Shin 10, visitors 19, tourists 2, additional, 40 grams, Shin 10, visitors 19, tourists 2, Local carp: Ramat Gan, Givatim, Beit Yehon, Beit Yehon, Beit Yehon, 150 grams, Shin 10, visitors 19, tourists 2, REHOVOT: Shin 10, visitors 19, tourists 2, 19, Fish: 100 grams, Shin 10, visitors 19, tourists 2.

### Personal Notice

**TO MY FRIENDS IN ISRAEL - GREETINGS.**  
Upon leaving Israel on my way to the United States, back to my own home and family, it gives me great pleasure in this manner to thank those hundreds of good friends who, while I was in my bed, were to sudden illness, have turned my room at the "Khamin" Hotel into a lovely garden, full of roses and other beautiful flowers.  
I have a deep feeling that it is thanks to the courtesy you have shown me, and to the hundreds of messages of good wishes and encouragement, that have reached me daily, that I was able to be on my feet again.  
**GOD BLESS YOU ALL**  
Hoping to see all of you again in flourishing Israel, even before the present year is out, when we shall celebrate together the inauguration of the gorgeous House, which is the aim of my life, i.e. "The B.O.A. House".  
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## Pickets at Camp Go Into Second Day

**PETAH TIKVA, Wednesday.**—For the second consecutive day, unemployed men from this township formed a picket line around the Rosh Hachayim immigrant camp to prevent newcomers in the camp from going to work in the area. They claim that the immigrants obtain employment directly instead of through the Labour Exchange, and that the fact that they are maintained at the camp permits them to accept lower wages.

Yesterday's pickets were posted at four o'clock in the morning. A number of Yemenites tried to leave the camp an hour earlier today, but the unemployed had anticipated this move and themselves arrived an hour earlier. They stayed six and a half hours. It is understood that the unemployed men and the local Labour Exchange intend to continue picketing until steps are taken to insure that work in this area is granted only through the Labour Exchange and paid for at regulation wages.

Opinion among the Yemenite immigrants in the camp was divided today. Some agreed that the Labour Exchange authorities would arrive from the east, and that the most pressing problem of the moment was the provision of a museum building suitable for the growing Basal collection.

### Half of Polish Jewry Coming This Year

**TEL AVIV, Wednesday.**—About 50 per cent of Polish Jewry will immigrate to Israel this year, Dr. A. Berman, former Chairman of the Polish Jewish Council, told the press here today.

Some 25,000 had applied by the end of April and Dr. Berman estimated that at least 35,000 would register by the end of August, the date set by the Polish authorities as the deadline for emigration. Immigrants are being sent in convoys of 600, and by the end of June some 12,000 are expected here.

According to Dr. Berman, 31 per cent of those who came up to the end of March belonged to Mafpat; 19 per cent to the General Zionists; 14 to Mafpat; and the rest to Mithral and smaller groups.

### Giant Plant To Make Water Pipes

**REHOVOT, Wednesday.**—Leveling work has started on a 140-dunam plot near the Migdal Gad railway station, in preparation for a giant plant to be built there by the Mekorot water company for the manufacture of concrete irrigation pipes.

The factory when completed is to employ 300 workers in its first stage. The pipes to be produced will be used to carry the Yarkon waters to the Negev. The factory, built by Solel Boneh, will be equipped with U.S. machinery, and will cost about \$8m.

Mekorot has paid full compensation to Arab farmers whose vegetable gardens will be covered by the new works.

### Gov't Workers Get IL1,000 Housing Loan

Government employees transferred to Jerusalem will be loaned IL1,000 each, repayable over 15 years, to enable them to find suitable accommodation either through a housing company or a private contractor, it was announced yesterday.

## 84 Polio Cases Reported Last Month, Mainly Among Children

April saw a sharp rise in the number of cases of infantile paralysis, according to the Ministry of Health. Eighty-four cases were reported, in comparison with 30 during March, 33 in February, and 19 in January, a total of 175 cases in four months.

The first peak of the outbreak usually lasts between two and three months and the number of cases then decreases slowly.

Recent immigrants were not a source of the disease, the

### Bombs Found Of Turkish Days

**TEL AVIV, Wednesday.**—Three Turkish bombs, dating from the First World War, and two large and two small aerial bombs were found near Sheikh Muwannis in northern Tel Aviv yesterday afternoon and were detonated by engineers.

The explosion was heard all over Tel Aviv.

### Medical Tests For Gan Meir Accused

**TEL AVIV, Wednesday.**—"This is the man who attacked me, dragged me away, grappled with me, left me for a minute, ran after me, caught me, grappled with me again, and raped me," the girl who has been in the witness box of the Gan Meir trial for four days told the District Court today at the end of her testimony.

The crowded courtroom was tense as she continued: "he is the man who brought me the gown, put it over me, and whom I asked to call the Magen David Adom." Pointing toward David Jacobovitz in the dock, she added with emphasis: "he was the one who is sitting here as the accused. I am sure of it."

Before the session was adjourned until tomorrow morning, Mr. I. Ben-Jaminy obtained permission to make further medical examinations of the accused, with the help of the Prosecution, at a civilian laboratory. An expert for the Prosecution will be present while the tests are being carried out. The result of this examination might determine the outcome of the trial, for it forms one of the major points on which the State Attorney, Mr. S. Shimon, is basing his case.

### Witness Composed

During cross-examination this morning, the girl, still as composed as on the first day she gave evidence, told the court that in the first stage she made to the police, she gave evidence of a general nature and asked afterwards to delete information concerning her family. That, she said, accounted for the six crucial lines which had been crossed out but were still legible. "I only intended telling them about the attack, so that they could identify and arrest him," she said.

She had stated earlier that she had not screamed while fighting with her attacker, because she had feared he would kill her. Tomorrow, five more prosecution witnesses will testify, and then the defence will begin to bring its witnesses.

### Eight Haifa Houses To Be Evacuated

**HAIFA, Wednesday.**—Eight houses in danger of collapse will be evacuated at noon tomorrow in the upper Khalisa Quarter, after having been condemned by Municipal engineers.

The Municipality, Police, Jewish Agency and the Custodian of Abandoned Property cooperated in keeping watch over the endangered houses and preparing the evacuation of the inhabitants. Sixty families will be moved to temporary accommodation in new quarters in the Bay-side area.

A wing of a house at 4 Omar Khayyam in the lower town was evacuated today and the inhabitants of four rooms transferred to a safer part of the building.

## Dori to Head Ben Gurion's Science Unit

**TEL AVIV, Wednesday.**—Bar-Abot Dori, former Chief of Staff, has been appointed head of the Science Division attached to the Prime Minister's Office. In this capacity he will represent the Prime Minister at the Research Council.

In the Scientific Branch of the Israel Army, and in matters affecting the scientific institutions in Israel, the Hebrew University, the Weizmann Institute, the Haifa Technical College, and other research institutions attached to Government Ministries.

Bar-Abot Dori has been joined by the Army to the Prime Minister's Office to enable him to carry out his new duties.

### Shavuot Services On Mount Zion

The tradition that links the Feast of Weeks with the anniversary of the birth and death of King David will make Mount Zion, the site of the Tomb of David, the centre of Shavuot ceremonies this year. Flowers and greenery, the traditional synagogue decoration during the Feast, are being sent from the Mount to synagogues throughout the country.

The first Festival service will start at sunrise on Monday morning after a night of Psalm reading and prayers. A pilgrimage of those who participated in the liberation of Mount Zion and in the defence of the Old City will take place at 10 in the morning. A mass pilgrimage will begin at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

A special Psalm music festival will be held on Tuesday, the traditional anniversary of the birth and death of David, which will be dispatched on the same day to five synagogues abroad. The joint programme organized by the Teachers' Council for the Jewish National Fund, for kindergarten and elementary school pupils have been cancelled at the request of the Ministry of Health. The festival will be held instead in the individual kindergartens and schools.

### Smederman On Picket Charge

**Binjamin Smederman**, charged with pickpocketing among the crowd watching the Independence Day parade in Jerusalem on April 23, asserted that he had been on his way to report to the police as he had been ordered to do daily, when he faced the District Court in the capital yesterday. Not represented by a lawyer, he claimed that the charges were unfounded.

Arrested with him at the time was Avraham Brandwin, 12. Asked if he had set out with Brandwin, Smederman declared that he had bumped into him in the street. He did not consort with children, he said. And further, "pickpocketing is beneath my dignity."

The chief witness, Ezra Anad, told the Court on Tuesday that he had recognized Smederman in the crowd and thought he was "up to something." Following the two men, he declared that he had waited till he caught Smederman red-handed before he called the police.

District Attorney E. Hadara is prosecuting. Judgment will be delivered today.

### BAKERS' STRIKE CALLED OFF

**TEL AVIV, Wednesday.**—The bakers' strike threatened for tomorrow was called off today, when the local Labour Council agreed to accept the arbitration of the Labour Relations Board in his dispute with bakery owners on terms of dismissal. The findings of the Board are to be announced before Friday, May 26.

Young children were the most susceptible to the disease. More than 90 per cent of the cases this year had been among children up to five years of age, with most outbreaks appearing during the first two years of life. Only a small number of those who contracted the disease were crippled. In most instances, the illness passed off in a few days with fever as the only symptom.

The number of polio cases in the Tel Aviv area has been stationary in the past fortnight, it was learned today. Out of the 47 suspected cases brought to the Pardes Katz Government Hospital, only 27 were found to be suffering from infantile paralysis. There were five fatal cases during the same period but most of the patients are now recovering. A few light cases were treated at home. Personal hygiene, however, food and contact with flies, and the avoidance of strenuous activity are the main precautions put forward by physicians as a precautionary measure. Only children whose brothers or sisters have contracted polio are asked to stay at home for a fortnight; others are to continue to attend school. Suspected cases are kept under observation at home for a week.

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## Truman Wants Foes Beaten for Congress

**CHICAGO, Wednesday, (Reuter).**—President Truman told a giant Democratic rally here yesterday he hoped some of the "obstructionists" who have opposed his "Fair Deal" programme would be ousted from office in the November congressional elections.

Winding up his speaking tour of the Western states the President declared he was going to keep right on fighting for the "Fair Deal" — modified successor to the late President Roosevelt's "New Deal" — in Congress and at the polls in November, when all members of the House and a third of the Senate will be elected.

### Train Tour Climax

A 21-gun salute greeted the President when he arrived in the nation's second largest city for the climax of his train tour — a National Democratic Conference and Thomas Jefferson Jubilee celebration for the party faithful.

Chicago civic leaders, including some Republicans, raised \$250,000 to pay for the show, which included a torchlight two-mile parade with 7,000 Illinois National Guardsmen in the line of march.

## Churchill Welcomes Schuman Proposal

**LONDON, Wednesday, (Reuter).**—Mr. Winston Churchill, as chairman of the United Europe Movement, yesterday warmly welcomed the Schuman plan for merging European coal and steel.

A statement issued by the Movement, on Mr. Churchill's authority, called on the British Government to announce immediately that it is prepared to play its full part with other European governments in working out methods for a practical implementation of Mr. Schuman's proposals.

The project, the statement said, should then be submitted in fuller detail to the Council of Europe for discussion at Strasbourg in August.

### National Railroad Strike in U.S. Ended

**CHICAGO, Wednesday, (UP).**—The Locomotive Firemen's Union ended its coast-to-coast strike yesterday, and the four railroads which had been affected raced to get trains back on full schedules by nightfall.

The strike was ended during negotiations in which the Union abandoned its demand for one additional fireman in big multiple-unit diesels. In return, the railroads agreed to submit two other disputes to routine arbitration.

### 10 Tons of Toys Sent by U.S. Group

**HAIFA, Wednesday.**—Ten tons of toys have arrived aboard the s.s. Aco for children in the immigrant camps. They were collected throughout the U.S. by the American Legion under the slogan "Encourage the Underprivileged Children in the World," and the Israel shipment follows others which went to children in Europe.

### WOMEN'S LEAGUE FOR ISRAEL

cordially invites its members and friends and all visitors adjourning in Israel to the DEDICATION OF THE NATHANYA BETH HALUTZOT which will take place at 6 p.m. on May 18 in the NATHANYA AMPHITHEATRE. We also take pleasure in inviting all former residents of the Batei Halutzot to celebrate this important event with us.

**ROSE BHACOS**, First Vice President of Women's League and Chairman of Israel Committee.  
**DR. PANIA MELNIK**, Directress of Batei Halutzot.  
Buses leaving for Nathanya from all Batei Halutzot at 4.30 p.m.

### MUNICIPALITY OF HAIFA

Municipal Notice No. 11/50  
Vacancy for Water Engineer

Applications are hereby invited for the position of Water Engineer. Applicants must have comprehensive experience in planning and supervising the construction of large projects for the Municipal water supply and especially the arrangement of the distribution network.

The appointment at first will be for a period of two years on condition that service is satisfactory and each party shall have the right to terminate the agreement at one month's notice. Suitable applicant may receive steady appointment.

The envelope enclosing the application must bear "Water Engineer" in the left-hand corner and should be sent to the Municipal Secretary, Municipality of Haifa, not later than Thursday, June 1, 1950, noon.

**SHABETAI LEVY**, Chairman, Haifa Municipal Commission

## Britain, U.S. Want Cairo-Istanbul Road

**CAIRO, Wednesday, (UP).**—Britain and the U.S. want to link up Greece to Western Europe by a land route through Yugoslavia, and Turkey to Cairo by road and rail through Lebanon, Israel and Sinai, according to reports reaching the Egyptian government.

With the end of the Greek civil war and the resumption of communications in Greece, approaches have been made to Marshal Tito to reopen the railway linking Greece to France and Italy via Yugoslavia. Egyptian reports coming from embassies and legations in Europe indicate that agreement has been reached between Tito and the Western Powers.

### Across Israel

Simultaneously, there are reports that the Anglo-Americans are trying to establish a railway and road communications between Istanbul and Cairo, and Egyptian sources claim that America is trying to exert pressure on Egypt to sign a peace treaty with Israel. Without a treaty such a link-up between Turkey and Egypt would be impossible.

According to the Egyptians, the American proposal was the result of General Lawton Collins' recent Middle East visit. The General, allege these sources, has proposed that a highway also be constructed between Cairo and Istanbul to strengthen communications in the strategic area.

### Princess Unconcerned About Farouk's Move

**SAN FRANCISCO, Wednesday, (UP).**—A Royal order from Egypt today reduced Princess Fathia to plain Mrs. Riad Ghali, but she calmly replied: "Good — That's just what I wanted all along."

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**LONDON, Wednesday, (Reuter).**—Millions of pounds are needed to solve the problems presented by the half million Palestine Arab refugees, who have doubled the population of Jordan, according to Madame Suleiman Sukar, wife of the Jordan Finance Minister.

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### ISRAEL-GREECE DELAY

**ATHENS, Wednesday, (UP).**—Informed quarters said yesterday that Greece is not likely to recognize Israel before reaching an agreement with Egypt on the status of Greek residents in Egypt. But they added that an Israel-Greek agreement was near.

## W. Germans Get Key Industry Law

**BONN, Wednesday, (Reuter).**—The Allied High Commissioners at their meeting yesterday signed a new draft law on reorganization of the German steel, iron and coal industry. It was officially announced.

The draft was completed about four weeks ago. But M. Andrei Francois-Poncet, French High Commissioner, objected to it because of a provision which placed the decision of future ownership of heavy industry in the hands of the German government.

Because of his appeal to the Allied governments, there was an automatic 30-day delay on the promulgation of the law, to give the governments time to review the matter.

The Commissioners further more decided to approve the West German government's civil service law. The Commissioners vetoed the law on April 18 because at that time the Germans had not adequately taken into account the Allies' desire for democratization of the civil service.

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### Cables in Brief

**KARELIA** — The Government of the Soviet Karelian Republic has been reorganized because the country is behind in agriculture, fishing, and forestry plans, according to the Moscow radio.

**DANUBE** — The Austrian Government is to be asked by the Austrian Danube Shipping Co. to begin direct negotiations with Russia to secure full freedom of navigation for the company on the whole of the Austrian Danube.

**POWER** — "TASS," the official Soviet news agency, reports that a new hydroelectric power station, supplying collective farms in the Ukraine, was officially opened yesterday in the Odessa region.

**SUEZ DREDGED** — The French dredger, "Paul Bonaparte," has sailed from Nantes to Port Said, where it will be used to dredge the canal.

**A-BOMB BAN** — All members of the East German Cabinet have signed a "ban the atom bomb" resolution, for which several million signatures have already been collected in the Soviet zone.

### Makassar Shooting Incident Wounds 25

**JAKARTA, Wednesday, (UP).**—Ten soldiers and 15 civilians were wounded in a two-hour shooting affray in the Celebes capital of Makassar yesterday, the Indonesian Defense Ministry announced.

A spokesman did not explain the cause of the outbreak, which he said started in the centre of town during the early hours of morning, but said that seven of the wounded soldiers were from the Dutch colonial army and the other three were Indonesian army men. It was recalled that rebellious Dutch colonial troops recently held Makassar for several days.

The government spokesman also declared that Indonesia planned to take "military measures" against the rebel government in the South Moluccas, but did not disclose what the measures would be.

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